

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:**

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to Figures 1 and 8. Correction to Figures 1 and 8 have been made and replacement drawings are appended to this amendment, including the unamended figures.

**REMARKS**

The specification and drawings have been amended in response to the Office Action.

Claims 1-3, 11-14 and 16-18 have been cancelled, claims 4-9 and 15 have been amended and new claims 19-24 have been added.

All claims presently in the application are now presented using subscripts as suggested by the Examiner in the Office Action. Various typographical errors have been corrected. Applicants submit that the claims as now stated avoid the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. With respect to the rejection of claim 15, Applicants submit that support for the Currie temperature of the oxide in the amended claim being "as high as 940k" instead of 940k as in original claim 15, may be found in the specification at paragraph [0025].

The rejection of claims 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) has been rendered moot by the cancellation thereof.

Applicants submit that claims 4-9 and 15 as amended and new claims 19-24 avoid the cited prior art and are thus patentable.


Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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